FISCAL NOTE

HB 484 - SB 692

March 1, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a tax credit of \$10 per month per inmate for any business which employs inmates participating in an authorized work release program. Such credit may be claimed against any state tax owed by the employer and may not exceed 25% of the tax owed. The bill takes effect July 1, 1997.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000 Over Time

Increase State Expenditures - \$31,000 One Time \$2,500 Recurring

Assumes approximately 1,600 state and local inmates would be eligible to participate in the program. The number of businesses who will employ such inmates and claim the credit is not known, but is estimated to be sufficient to generate a decrease in state revenues exceeding \$100,000 over time.

Assumes an increase in one time state expenditures of \$31,000 and a recurring increase in state expenditures of \$2,500 to the Department of Revenue for administrative costs.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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